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In re Application of

Girard, et al.

Application No. 10/601,072

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Attorney Docket No. BIOBANK.009CP1

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed March 14, 2005, to suspend the rules under 37 CFR 1.183.

The petition is dismissed.

Petitioner states, "Submitted herewith is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement including Form PTO-1449, which lists 7 references. Among the references listed on Form P10-1449 is PCT Publication Number WO 01/57190, which contains a Sequence Listing that is greater than 5,000 pages in length. It is Applicants' understanding that the USPTO has in its electronic database a copy of the Sequence Listing portion of PCT Publication Number WO 01/57190. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the requirement for submitting a paper copy of the Sequence Listing be waived for the instant patent application."

Petitioner has not stated the specific provision or section of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulation which petitioner is requesting to have suspended. Furthermore, petitioner has not presented any extraordinary situation or why justice requires the suspension of the rules in the instant situation.

Accordingly, the petition is dismissed.

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